

At a Glance

H.R. 663, Native American Child Protection Act

As introduced in the House of Representatives on January 31, 2023

By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars	2023	2023-2028	2023-2033
Direct Spending (Outlays)	0	0	0
Revenues	0	0	0
Increase or Decrease (-) in the Deficit	0	0	0
Spending Subject to Appropriation (Outlays)	0	423	558

Increases <i>net direct spending</i> in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2034?	No	Statutory pay-as-you-go procedures apply?	No
		Mandate Effects	
Increases <i>on-budget deficits</i> in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2034?	No	Contains intergovernmental mandate?	No
		Contains private-sector mandate?	No

The bill would

- Require the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Indian Health Service to provide grants to tribal governments and organizations to combat child abuse, child neglect, and family violence affecting tribes

Estimated budgetary effects would mainly stem from

- Spending of amounts authorized to be appropriated in the act for services and grants provided by the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Indian Health Service

Detailed estimate begins on the next page.

See also

[CBO's Cost Estimates Explained](#), [CBO Describes Its Cost-Estimating Process](#), [Glossary](#)

Bill Summary

H.R. 663 would direct the Indian Health Service (IHS) and the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) to carry out programs to combat child abuse, child neglect, and family violence affecting tribes and would authorize appropriations through 2028 for those programs.

Estimated Federal Cost

The estimated budgetary effect of H.R. 663 is shown in Table 1. The costs of the legislation fall within budget functions 450 (community and regional development) and 550 (health).

Table 1. Estimated Increases in Spending Subject to Appropriation Under H.R. 663							
	By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars						2023-2028
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	
Indian Child Protection and Family Violence Protection Program							
Authorization	60	60	60	60	60	60	360
Estimated Outlays	0	39	54	59	59	60	271
National Indian Child Resource and Family Services Center							
Authorization	3	3	3	3	3	3	18
Estimated Outlays	0	2	3	3	3	3	14
Indian Health Service							
Authorization	30	30	30	30	30	30	180
Estimated Outlays	0	22	28	29	29	30	138
Total Changes							
Estimated Authorization	93	93	93	93	93	93	558
Estimated Outlays	0	63	85	91	91	93	423

Basis of Estimate

For this estimate, CBO assumes that H.R. 663 will be enacted in fiscal year 2023 and that the authorized amounts will be appropriated for each fiscal year. Estimated outlays are based on historical spending patterns for similar programs and activities. CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 663 would cost \$423 million over the 2023-2028 period and \$135 million after 2028.

Indian Child Protection and Family Violence Protection Program

H.R. 663 would direct BIA to establish a program to investigate, treat, and prevent child abuse, child neglect, and family violence affecting tribes. The bill would authorize BIA to provide those services directly or to enter into agreements with tribal agencies to carry out services funded by federal grants. H.R. 663 would authorize the appropriation of \$60 million

annually from 2023 through 2028 for BIA to carry out the program and would require the agency to report to the Congress within two years of enactment on how grantees have used funds awarded under the program.

National Indian Child Resources and Family Services Center

The bill also would direct BIA to establish a National Indian Child Resource and Family Services Center to provide training and technical assistance to tribal governments and federal personnel on how to respond to cases of child abuse, child neglect, and family violence affecting tribes. The bill would direct the agency to create an advisory board, consisting of members from tribal governments and organizations with expertise in those issues to advise the center on how to implement its programs. The bill would authorize the appropriation of \$3 million annually from 2023 through 2028 for the operation of the center.

Indian Health Service

H.R. 663 would direct IHS to establish a grant program for tribes and intertribal consortia to provide treatment to Indians who have been victims of child abuse and neglect. The bill would direct the agency, as part of the grant award process, to encourage the use of treatment services that are culturally appropriate for Indian tribes. The bill would authorize the appropriation of \$30 million annually from 2023 through 2028 for IHS to carry out the program and would require the agency to report to the Congress within two years of enactment on how grantees have used funds awarded under the program.

Pay-As-You-Go Considerations: None.

Increase in Long-Term Net Direct Spending and Deficits: None.

Mandates: None.

Previous CBO Estimate

On June 22, 2023, CBO transmitted an estimate of H.R. 663, the Native American Child Protection Act, as it was introduced in the House of Representatives on January 31, 2023. That estimate incorrectly listed the status of the bill as “ordered reported by the House Committee on Natural Resources on May 17, 2023.” This version corrects that mistake in the status of the bill. The estimated budgetary effects of the bill did not change.

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